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	First Inventor	Bachmann
	Title	SURGICAL RING FEATURING A REVERSIBLE DIAMETER REMOTE CONTROL SYSTEM
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APPLICATION ELEMENTS <small>See MPEP Chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents</small>	ADDRESS TO: Mail Stop Patent Application Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Arlington, VA 22313-1450
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☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$)**440.00**

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First Named Inventor	Bachmann
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1002	330	2002	165	Design Filing Fee	
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1004	750	2004	375	Reissue Filing Fee	
1005	160	2005	80	Provisional Filing Fee	
SUBTOTAL (1)					(\$) 375.00

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

	Extra Claims	Fee From Below	Fee Paid
Total Claims	18	- 20** = 0	X 9.00 = 0
Independent Claims	2	- 3** = 0	X 42.00 = 0
Multiple Dependent	0		140.00 = 0

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1202	18	2202	9	Claims in excess of 20	
1201	84	2201	42	Independent claims in excess of 3	
1203	280	2203	140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	
1204	84	2204	42	**Reissue independent claims over original patent	
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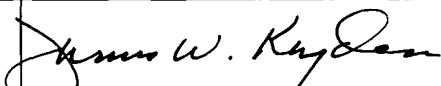
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1053	130	1053	130	Non-English specification	
1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
1804	920*	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
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1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month	
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1254	1,450	2254	725	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255	1,970	2255	985	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401	320	2401	160	Notice of Appeal	
1402	320	2402	160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403	280	2403	140	Request for oral hearing	
1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452	110	2452	55	Petition to revive-unavoidable	
1453	1,300	2453	650	Petition to revive-unintentional	
1501	1,300	2501	650	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
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1503	630	2503	315	Plant issue fee	
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1807	50	1807	50	Processing fee for provisional application	
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8021	40	8021	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
1809	750	2809	375	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
1810	750	2810	375	For each add. invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
1801	750	2801	375	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
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In re: **BACHMANN**

For: **SURGICAL RING FEATURING A REVERSIBLE DIAMETER REMOTE
CONTROL SYSTEM**

This application is claiming priority to a European Patent Application filed on 4 September 2002, under European Patent No. EP-02 019937.8.

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- Utility Patent Application Transmittal Page
- Fee Transmittal Page
- Credit Card Payment Form
- A European Patent Application Consisting Of:
 - 18 Pages of Description;
 - 04 Pages of Claims (Claims 1-18)
 - 01 Page of Abstract
 - 03 Sheets of Formal Drawings (Figs. 1-10)
- Preliminary Amendment

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